North Cumberland Fire District Board of Trustees

50 Arnold Mills Road Cumberland, RI

Minutes of May 21, 2014 Meeting

Present: Phillip Koutsogiane, Chairman Others: Robert Murray,

**Treasurer** 

Michael Spaziani, Vice Chair

Martin Klara, Tax

Collector Harry MacDonald Ghislaine Therien, Clerk Charles Wilk

Paul Lindquist Excused: John McCoy

**Brian Campbell** 

**Chief Brian Jackvony** 

### **OPENING**

Chairman called to order the regular meeting of the North Cumberland Fire District (NCFD) at 7:03 pm.

### **CLERK'S REPORT**

Motion made by Mr. MacDonald and seconded by Mr. Wilk to accept the April 2014 Minutes as presented. Motion carried by all present.

### CORRESPONDENCE

Chairman received correspondence from the Cumberland Historic Commission regarding the school house. Chairman will contact Bruce Shepard regarding repairs to the school house to get quotes to rehabilitate building.

# TREASURER'S REPORT - April 2014

Mr. Murray submitted his report which is repeated herein and incorporated by reference.

# **NCFD Payroll and Overtime**

** April standard payroll was \$71,642.57. Overtime was \$10,447.03** 

 Total payroll \$808,045.34 through April 2014

- Total Expenses \$1,479,702.00 through April 2014
- Percentage of overtime to total expenses 14.00%
- One firefighter suffered a fracture and will be out 6 weeks. This may result in higher overtime for the month of May 2014.

## Income/Revenue:

- \$23,026.92 taxes collected in April 2014. Collected 99.69% of current year budget.
- Interest income \$597.18 April 2014. Interest earned on average balances at NCU.
- Various Fees \$828.45 April 2014.

# **April 2014 Expenses:**

- Total expenses for month \$135,650.97
- BC/BS \$18,927.66/Pension \$15,715.46
- Pension \$8,765.35
- Revenue in excess of expenses (\$72,368.29)
- Principal payments on PUC (\$4,072.72)

# **April 2014 Certain Account Balances**

- Total Savings/Cash \$1,051,886.54
- Total Other Current Assets \$325,17.69
- Fixed Assets \$1,415,713.00
- Total Current Liabilities \$10,345.47
- Total Liabilities \$580,756.16
- Total Equity \$2,284,229.36
- Total Liabilities & Equity \$2,211,861.07

Motion made by Mr. Lindquist and seconded by Mr. Spaziani to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried by all present.

# **TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT – April 2014**

Mr. Klara submitted his report which is repeated herein and incorporated by reference.

- \$54,155.49 taxes collected in April 2013-2014 YTD \$1,759,745.75
- Prior years taxes due \$105,914.73
- Fees paid \$720.43
- Returned checks \$2,837.77
- Tax sale letters mailed and\$40,000 collected so far. Attorney Baker will give 60 day notice to Rhode Island Housing.
- Attorney Baker conducting title searches for tax sale. No tax sale date has been set.
- Residents have until end of April to pay back taxes
- Proceeding with 2013/2014 tax sale with notices being mailed.

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Motion made by Mr. MacDonald and seconded by Mr. Wilk to accept the Tax Collector's report as presented. Motion carried by all present.

## CHIEF'S REPORT/MONTHLY EXPENDITURES-APRIL 2014

Chief Jackvony submitted his report which is repeated herein and incorporated by reference.

#### **EMERGENCY CALLS**

The North Cumberland Fire Department responded to 115 incidents in the month of

April 2014, this represents 24 additional responses and a 27% increase over 2013.

## PERSONNEL RESPONDED TO:

• 1 mutual aid; 3 gas odor;1 smoke odor; 1 stove fire; 2 motor vehicle accidents; and 2 vehicle fire

## PERSONNEL:

- NFPA 1001, Level 2 completed
- Leadership class attended by Deputy Mitchell
- Traffic incident Management by Lt. Pacquin

### **BUILDING AND GROUNDS:**

• Lt. Pacquin planning kitchen replacement and obtaining quotes

- Siren removed from rear of fire station
- Apparatus detailed and conducted spring yard cleanup

### **EQUIPMENT / APPARATUS**

- Brush 51 pump back in service and control valves replaced
- Preventative maintenance for Engine 5, Truck 5, Brush 51 and Car 5.
- Obtaining quotes for body work on Car 5.
- Engine 5 at Minuteman for tank level lights, door locks and coolant leak.
- Nothing unusual with bills

Motion made by Mr. Wilk and seconded by Mr. Lindquist to accept the Chief's report as presented. Motion carried by all present.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Financial Management, Budget, Taxes

• 2014-2015 budget being worked on

Apparatus/Buildings/Ground

Nothing to report

Personnel/Labor Relations

Nothing to report.

**Negotiation** 

**Discuss in Executive Session** 

Consolidation

**Discuss under Old Business** 

**OLD BUSINESS** 

# **Consolidation Update with Requirements**

Committee continues to meet

# **Third Party Administration**

Executed on behalf of the North Cumberland Fire District

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Review/Preparation/Setting date for Annual Meeting

- Date for annual meeting set as June 16, 2014
- Set date for regular monthly meeting in June 2014
- Regular monthly meeting June 9, 2016
- Two member terms expiring June 30, 2014 and need to be renewed at the Annual Meeting

Motion made by Mr. Lindquist to move into Executive Session. Motion seconded by Mr. Wilk. Motion carried by all present.

Motion made by Mr. Lindquist to reopen regular meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. MacDonald. Motion carried by all present.

Motion made by Mr. Spaziani to seal the April 2014 Executive Session Minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Lindquist. Motion carried by all present.

Motion/vote taken at Executive Session to approve new union

contract for one year extension subject to Union agreement.

Trustees Spaziani, Wilk, Campbell and Lindquist voted to approve.

Trustees MacDonald and Koutsogiane voted not to approve Agreement as written.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Mr. Wilk and seconded by Mr. McDonald to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by all present. Meeting adjourned at 8:52 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Ghislaine D. Therien Recording Clerk